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**What Makes a Quote Significant or Important?**

A significant quote usually contains a theme or

an \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ that relates to life advice or community experiences.

A significant quote is not one that contains only facts and description. It usually includes a judgment or a person’s belief system.

A significant quote reveals something about \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ or behavior and helps the reader to understand how a character has transformed or changed.

A significant quote is connected to the turning point or \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ in a text and represents the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ or the

\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ point.

A significant quote is philosophical or helps the reader to understand the meaning of life or humanity.

A significant quote is one that can be analyzed or \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ in many different ways.

Significant quotes are found in \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_,

and \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ parts of the text.

**Read through the following quotes. Decide whether it is a SIGNIFICANT QUOTE or FACTUAL/DESCRIPTIVE QUOTE. Then if it is significant, try to interpret the quote and explain what it shows us about the speaker. Then try to connect it to a life lesson.**

MAMA: “Honey, it’s start to get so cold evenings” (Hansberry 30).

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WALTER: “Mama, a job? I open and close car doors all day long. I drive a man around in his limousine and I say, ‘Yes, sir; no, sir; very good, sir; shall I take the Drive, sir?’ Mama, that ain’t no kind of job... that ain’t nothing at all” (Hansberry 73).

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WALTER: “No, I don’t want no coffee. I don’t want nothing hot to drink. Why you always trying to give me something to eat?” (Hansberry 88).

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MAMA: “It’s just a plain little old house—but it’s made good and solid—and it will be ours. Walter Lee—it makes a difference in a man when he can walk on floors that belong to *him*...” (Hansberry 92).

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RUTH: “Well—well!—All I can say is –if this is my time in life—MY TIME—to say goodbye to these goddamn cracking walls!—and these marching roaches!— and this cramped little closet which ain’t now or never was no kitchen! ...then I say it loud and good, HALLELUJAH! AND GOODBYE MISERY...I DON’T NEVER WANT TO SEE YOUR UGLY FACE AGAIN!” (Hansberry 93-94).

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